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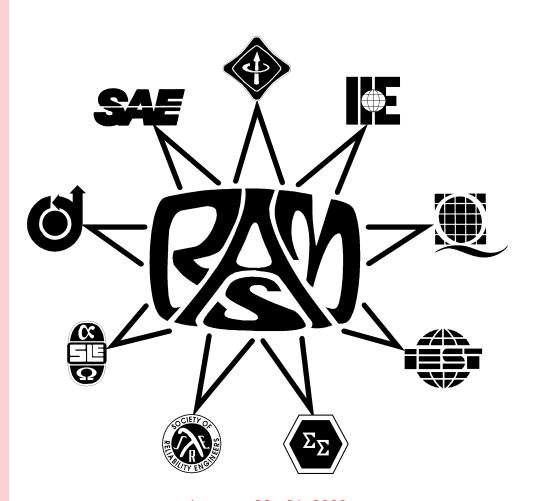
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General Chairperson's Message



Lynwood Rabon

Welcome to the 48th Annual International Symposium on Product Quality and Integrity – The Reliability and Maintainability Symposium (RAMS). RAMS is by far the premier event for the assurance professional. It is supported and managed by a volunteer committee composed of assurance technology professionals working in industry, academia and government.

This year's theme, Beyond 2001 – The Reliability and Maintainability Odyssey Continues, highlights the increasing rate of change in technology and the challenge this presents to assurance technology professionals. Numerous new assurance tools and processes are developed every year, and our Symposium offers a forum for academia, public, and private enterprise users to review and evaluate their long-term value. Successes in the field are presented in paper sessions and debated in panel discussions. Exhibitors are also available to demonstrate electronic reliability and maintainability tools available on the market. The program brochure provides a comprehensive listing of tutorial and panel sessions planned

this year. The *RAMS Discipline Tracks* will be quite useful in determining areas for your interest. Remember, the tutorials qualify for Continuing Education Unit (CEU) credit.

As in previous years, *RAMS* in cooperation with the American Society for Quality (ASQ), will provide attendees the opportunity to take the ASQ Certified Reliability Engineer examination with a significant discount off the normal examination fee. The exam will be offered on Thursday, the last day of the *Symposium*. Advanced registration is strongly encouraged, with registrations being accepted through Wednesday January 30th on a space available basis.

Please take this opportunity to mark your calendar and save money by registering early for this year's *Symposium*. The opportunity to network literally across the world with the assurance technology elite and discuss the newest tools and techniques available is not possible at any other symposium or workshop. This year we have a fantastic downtown Seattle site at the Westin Hotel. From the Twin Towers of the Seattle Westin Hotel you will enjoy beautiful panoramic views of Puget Sound, Lake Washington, downtown Seattle, and Mount Rainier. An airport shuttle bus is available for \$8.50 one-way and \$14.00 round trip. The airport shuttle coupled with the free downtown bus service eliminates the need for a rental car. However, if a car is desired, two rental companies are located across the street from the Westin.

The downtown location provides an excellent opportunity to include your spouse and family in your travel plans. A spouse's hospitality suite will be available and the downtown location provides a number of exciting and interesting attractions within the immediate area. There are numerous sites to visit that include: museums, galleries, waterfront shops and markets, aquariums and zoos, and a natural rain forest. A number of unique shopping experiences including Nordstrom's, Neiman Marcus, The BonMarche', and two indoor shopping centers with many specialty shops are located near the Seattle Westin Hotel. In addition, monorail access is available across the street from the hotel to take you directly to all the attractions at Space Needle Park.

We in the RAMS family look forward to seeing you in Seattle!!!!!

Lynwood Rabon, *DoD PM-MEP* 2002 RAMS General Chairperson

Late Breaking News

The *IEEE Accelerated Stress Testing (AST) Workshop* was scheduled to be held in Seattle last September. It was cancelled after the tragic events of September 11th. At press time we are discussing the possibility of establishing a track for the authors of that workshop to present their work at *RAMS 2002*. Watch our web site, <u>www.rams.org</u>, for current information between now and January 2002.

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Go to www.RAMS.org to register

Registration Fees	<mark>Advance</mark> On or before Jan 11	Door After Jan 11	
* Members of AIAA, ASQ, IEEE, IEST, IIE, SAE, SOLE, SRE, SSS	\$575	\$675	
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Please PRINT and use HOME ADDRESS to assure retention of your name on the Symposium mailing list. For additional advance registrations, please copy the Advance Registration Form or print it from www.rams.org.

NOTICE — Sunday, January 27, 2002 Symposium Registration

The Westin Seattle Hotel • Cascade Foyer North Registration Area • 3:30 PM to 6:00 PM

Avoid the Monday Morning Rush!

Discount for Multiple Registrations

RAMS offers a 33% discount for multiple Advance Registrations from the same organization. If you register six or more simultaneously the Member Rate is \$384 and the Non-Member Rate is \$450. You get six RAMS registrations for the price of four! Please contact Dr. Sears as shown above for further information and to arrange for online registration.

Special Travel Rates

Special discounted airfares for the 2002 Reliability & Maintainability Symposium in Seattle, WA on January 28-31, 2002 have been negotiated by IEEE Global Travel Services. Discounts are as high as 20% off the lowest published airfares with American, TWA, Continental and United airlines. If Saturday night stays or super-saver airfares are not applicable, zone fares are available. Discount code A606098 entitles attendees to receive special rates that have also been negotiated with Avis Rental Car Company. Travel arrangements using the negotiated air carriers or the carriers of your choice can be made through IEEE Global Travel Services by calling between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. EST. Monday through Friday. Within the US and Canada, call (800) TRY-IEEE, (800-879-4333; and outside of the US and Canada, call (732) 562-5387. Or, you may visit their on-line travel service web site at www.ieeetravelonline.org. This secure site offers simple and convenient service through which you can search, reserve, and ticket your travel anytime, anywhere. You may also fax your requirements to the IEEE Global Travel Services at (732) 562-8815. When faxing, please be sure to include your travel dates, departure & return times, phone and fax numbers. A Travel Counselor will contact you promptly.

Hotel Reservations

A block of rooms has been reserved at the Seattle Westin Hotel. Request the R&M Symposium (RAMS) rate when calling or writing. For your convenience, you can send the Hotel Reservations Form (Form A on page 23) directly to the Seattle Westin Hotel at the address on the form or use it to make your reservations by FAX. A limited number of government rate rooms will be available. Hotel reservations are requested before January 5, 2002. Reservations must be guaranteed by deposit or credit card when making the reservation. The hotel accepts most major credit cards. Deposits are refundable if cancellation is received by the hotel before 6:00 PM on the day of arrival. Arrangements have been made at alternative hotels in the Seattle area in the case of over-booking at the Seattle Westin Hotel. Rate and availability of the alternative hotels may be different than the Seattle Westin Hotel. In the case of over-booking, reservations will automatically be assigned to the next closest alternate hotel. Please call the Seattle Westin Hotel for hotel confirmation and information.

RAMS Exhibition

Every exhibitor has been carefully selected with improved reliability, maintainability, quality, and productivity in mind. All exhibits will be located in the Grand III room of the Seattle Westin Hotel. Coffee breaks will be held in the exhibit area. The Exhibition is a valuable component of the R&M Symposium as it provides information on products and services which can help you do your job more efficiently. Even if you plan to attend every technical session, there will still be plenty of time to visit the exhibits between sessions and during lunch periods. The Exhibition is scheduled to be open at the following times:

Monday, January 28 5:00 PM — 7:00 PM
Tuesday, January 29 9:00 AM — 5:00 PM
Wednesday, January 30 9:00 AM — 5:00 PM

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2002 Exhibition Space Still Available!

At press time, there were still a few booths available in the exhibit area for this years RAMS. Contact: RAMS EXHIBITION MANAGER; David F. Barber, Jr.; Scien-Tech Associates, Inc., P.O. Box 2097, Banner Elk, NC 28604-2097 USA at 1-828-898-6375, email: dbarbsta@aol.com or by FAX at 1-828-898-6379. David can also provide information on the Year 2003 RAMS Exhibition to be held at the Tampa Waterside Marriott, Tampa, FL USA.

Meet the Speakers!

The Exhibits Area, Grand III room will also serve as a gathering place to provide opportunities to explore topics presented by the speakers. Speakers will be asked to go to this area immediately after their sessions to answer additional questions or continue discussions.

Spouses' Hospitality Suite

The Spouses' Hospitality Suite is available for an informal gathering. Information will be provided regarding tour information, shopping, dining, and places of interest in Seattle. The Spouses' Hospitality Suite, located in the Baker Room will be open from 8:00 AM through 5:00 PM Monday through Wednesday and Thursday from 8:00 AM until 12:00 Noon. Coffee, tea and danish will be provided at 8:00 AM each day. On Monday and Tuesday mornings from 8:00 AM until 10:00 AM, we will discuss the many activities available in Seattle and the surrounding area. The suite affords the opportunity for spouses to get together with one another to plan their day. Please stop by; meet old friends and make some new ones. Seattle is a city rich in attractions and things to do.

Continuing Education Units (CEUs)

You can earn CEUs by attending our Tutorials and Workshops (0.1 CEU per hour). Simply use a CEU completion form included with your *Tutorial Notes*. Complete the form according to the instructions, and return it at the conclusion of the Symposium. RAMS charges each applicant \$15.00 for processing. Your CEU certificate will be mailed to you.



Job Posting Board

This year the *Symposium* is sponsoring a job posting board on which openings in the assurance disciplines can be posted. ANY business interested in describing its employment opportunities to the world's premier gathering of assurance professionals is asked to contact Ray Sears at 1-603-863-2832 or by email: r.w.sears@ieee.org. The bulletin board will be made available to all *Symposium* attendees. This is an extraordinary opportunity to get your employment message out!

Emergency Information

A Message Center will be provided for the convenience of *Symposium* attendees. Messages for attendees may be left between 8:00 AM and 5:00 PM during the *Symposium* by dialing **1-206-728-1000** and asking for the *RAMS Symposium Message Center*. All messages will be posted at the Message Center located in the RAMS Registration area.

Certified Reliability Engineer Examination

Special arrangements have been made with the American Society for Quality (ASQ) for attendees who so desire to take the ASQ CRE examination while at the *Symposium*. A significantly reduced rate is offered for paid RAMS attendees. The 4 hour examination will be held on Thursday morning. On Tuesday, a 4 hour workshop session will be held for the benefit of those who plan to take the examination, are thinking about taking it some time in the future, or are just curious. Advance registration will guarantee a seat. Information about exam fees, registration and professional prerequisites for this certification exam are available at the RAMS WEB site or by calling ASQ at 1-800-248-1946. Ask for customer service. The exam is open book. Pocket calculators without programmable memories are allowed. Registrations will be accepted up to noon on Wednesday of the *Symposium* on a space available basis.

University and College Information Table

Attention Universities and Colleges: RAMS now offers accredited Universities and Colleges the opportunity to provide information about programs which address the needs of RAMS attendees. The Exhibits Area will include a table for pamphlets or information packets which can be picked up by interested RAMS attendees. There is no charge for this service. Information may be about degree programs, short courses or certificate programs offered by the institution. (No Conference or Symposium Information, please.) Contact C.W. Plotkin at 1-734-523-6178 or cplotkin@ford.com for information or to make arrangements to place your material at this table. RAMS will make the final determination regarding suitability, and arrangements must be made prior to the Symposium. There is a limit of one brochure / information packet type per institution.

Program Matrix

	Time	Grand I	Grand II	Cascade II	Cascade I	Cascade Foyer North Registration Area
Monday	8:00 - 10:00 AM	Tutorial 1A Introduction to Reliability	Tutorial 1B Warranty and Reliability	Tutorial 1C Integrated Reliability & Maintainability Program-Planning	Tutorial 1D Applying Probabilistic Methods to Design and Reliability Modeling	REGISTRATION 7:00 AM - 6:00 PM
	10:15 - 12:15 PM	Tutorial 2A Statistical Analysis of Reliability, Maintainability, and Supportability Data	Tutorial 2B Human Reliability Analysis	Tutorial 2C Assembling Systems/Network Reliability	Tutorial 2D Understanding Electronic Parts Failure Mechanisms	EXHIBITS Grand III 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM
	1:15 - 2:15 PM					
	2:30 - 5:00 PM	Tutorial 3A Practical Reliability Engineering & Management		Tutorial 3C Dynamic Robust Design	Workshop 3D R&M CAE Capabilities Exhibitors' Presentations & Demonstrations	
Tuesday	8:00 - 10:00 AM	Tutorial 4A Introduction to Repairable-Systems Modeling	Tutorial 4B Fault Tree Analysis in Product Reliability Improvement	Session 4C Life Cycle Cost and Cost Benefit Analysis	Session 4D Statistical Methods for R&M Analysis	REGISTRATION 7:30 AM - 5:00 PM
	10:15 - 12:15 PM	Session 5A Maintenance and Availability Modeling Sponsored by IIE	Session 5B Safety & Risk Management Assessment	Tutorial 5C Thermodynamic Reliability Engineering	Workshop 5D R&M CAE Capabilities Exhibitors' Presentations & Demonstrations	EXHIBITS Grand III 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM
	1:30 - 3:30 PM	Session 6A Lessons Learned	Session 6B Fault Trees and FMECA	Panel 6C Logistics and Supportability Panel	Tutorial 6D Implementing Reliability Centered Maintenance (RCM)	CRE Review St. Helens 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM
	3:45 - 5:45 PM	Tutorial 7A Introduction to Probabilistic Risk Assessment	Session 7B R&M Programs in a Commercial and Industrial Environment	Session 7C Software Reliability & Maintainability Analysis	Tutorial 7D How to Justify Your Modeling Results	
Wednesday	8:00 - 10:00 AM	Tutorial 8A Understanding Accelerated Life- Testing Analysis	Tutorial 8B Reliability & Availability Modeling using the Sharpe Software Package	Session 8C R&M Optimization	Panel 8D Innovative R&M Technology Applications Panel	REGISTRATION 7:30 AM - 3:30 PM
	10:15 - 12:15 PM	Session 9A Defect Detection in Software Engineering	Session 9B Accelerated Life Testing	Tutorial 9C Modeling of Realistic Systems Using the Monte Carlo Method	Session 9D Application of Software Tools to R&M Analysis	EXHIBITS Grand III 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM
	1:30 - 3:30 PM	Panel 10A International Space Station Safety and Mission Assurance Performance Metrics Panel	Tutorial 10B Fault Tree Analysis of Computer Based Systems	Session 10C Modeling & Simulation	Session 10D Product Design & Assurance	
	3:45 - 5:45 PM	Panel 11A ADVISORY BOARD PANEL GRAND 1		Session 11C Reliability Modeling of Systems	Session 11D TL9000 Session Sponsored by ASQ	
	6:30 - 7:30 PM					
	7:30 - 10:00 PM					
Thursday	8:00 - 10:00 AM	Tutorial 12A Fuzzy Logic	Session 12B Quality & Product Assurance	Session 12C Reliability Prediction Methods	Session 12D R&M Techniques and Applications	REGISTRATION 7:30 AM - 12:30 PM ASQ
	10:15 - 12:15 PM	Tutorial 13A Introduction to Software Reliability Risk Management	Panel 13B Infant Mortality Panel	Session 13C R&M in Aerospace	Session 13D Environmental Testing and Stress Screening	GRE Exam Grand Crescent 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Exhibits will be in the Grand III Room

MONDAY SCHEDULE

8:00 AM — 10:00 AM

Tutorial 1A (Linked to Paper Sessions 4D, 6B, 7B & 12C) INTRODUCTION TO RELIABILITY

Introductory

Grand I

Dr. John D. Healy, Telcordia Technologies

This tutorial serves as an introduction to the main concepts in reliability. It describes how reliability is measured, modeled, analyzed, and managed.

Tutorial 1B (Linked to Paper Sessions 4C, 8C, 10D & 12D)

Special Topic

Grand II

WARRANTY AND RELIABILITY

Wallace R. Blischke, University of Southern California and D. N. P. Murthy, The University of Queensland

The cost of a warranty is inversly related to the reliability of the product, which also has an appreciable cost. Trade-offs between these costs is an essential aspect of effective warranty management.

Tutorial 1C (Linked to Paper Sessions 7B, 13C & Panel 10A) INTEGRATED RELIABILITY & MAINTAINABILITY PROGRAM-PLANNING Introductory Cascade II

Scott A. Fratianne, Blackhawk, and Dan C. Burrows, Gilman

This tutorial provides an introduction to Reliability and Maintainability (R&M) planning. The tutorial describes proven tools and techniques that integrate the concepts and methods of life cycle-centered R&M into an engineering and manufacturing environment.

Tutorial 1D (Linked to Paper Sessions 4D, 10C, 10D & 11C)

Cascade I

APPLYING PROBABILISTIC METHODS TO DESIGN AND RELIABILITY MODELING

Ronald H. Salzman, Ford Motor Company, Michael H. Packard, SAIC, and James A. McLinn, Consultant

Probabilistic design and probabilistic reliability prediction represents cutting edge technology that brings variability of manufacturing, fabrication, material properties, loading and environmental effects to the design and reliability prediction process. This tutorial presents a broad description of basic concepts involved in application of probabilistic methods to component design with real-world examples.

10:15 AM — 12:15 PM

Tutorial 2A (Linked to paper Sessions 4D & 7C)

Introductory

Grand I

STATISTICAL ANALYSIS OF RELIABILITY, MAINTAINABILITY, AND SUPPORTABILITY DATA

Dr. Caroline Smith, James Madison University

This tutorial gives an introduction to the key concepts and techniques used in statistical analyses of reliability, maintainability, and supportability data. The presentation includes the mechanics of the analysis, intrepretation of the results, and pitfadlls to avoid.

Tutorial 2B Intermediate

HUMAN RELIABILITY ANALYSIS

Grand II

Joseph R. Fragola, SAIC

This tutorial will present the basic principles in performing a Human Reliability Analysis in conjunction with the quantative assessment of the reliability and risk of systems and equipment. The approach taken follows the general systems engineering paradigm and is therefore readily campatible with hardware and software systems reliability approaches.

Tutorial 2C (Linked to Paper Sessions 9D, 10C & 11C) ASSEMBLING SYSTEMS/NETWORK RELIABILITY Introductory

Cascade II

Jason W. Rupe, Owest Communications Int'l

This tutorial reminds reliability practitioners why modeling system or network reliability is important & beneficial, and introduces new concepts as well. We cover some of the concepts behind modeling, reasons to model a network/system's reliability, persapectives that are important for predicting effectiveness and some of the modeling approaches & tools available.

Tutorial 2D (Linked to Paper Session 13D)

UNDERSTANDING ELECTRONIC PARTS FAILURE MECHANISMS

John W. Knepley, Northrop Company

This tutorial describes the component failure mechanisms commonly encountered in the operation and testing of electronic systems, and the ways in which their occurrence can be minimized to achieve system reliability goals. The tutorial includes and augments the hard copy.

1:15 PM — 2:15 PM

GENERAL CHAIRPERSON'S WELCOME AND KEYNOTE

Grand 1



Jefferson Howell, Jr.

General Chairperson — Lynwood Rabon, DoD PM-MEP Keynote Speaker — Lt. Gen Jefferson D."Beak" Howell, Jr., USMC Ret.

Our keynote speaker, Lt. Gen. Jefferson D. Howell, Jr., USMC Ret., is a Senior Vice President with Science Applications International Corporation, and is the Program Manager for the Safety, Reliability, and Quality Assurance Contract at NASA's Johnson Space Center in Houston Texas. General Howell, a decorated naval aviator and Vietnam veteran, has served a distinguished career in the Marine Corps spanning nearly thirty years, in which he held many leadership roles and commands, culminating in the responsibility for all the Marine Corp Forces in the Pacific region. Gen. Howell's current responsibilities include providing the reliability and maintainability resources that ensure successful and safe flight of many of NASA's manned and unmanned flight programs, including the Space Shuttle and Space Station Programs. Gen. Howell will discuss the many challenges he faced as a Naval Aviator and Commander of Marine Corp resources, as well as the future of the reliability and maintainability engineering disciplines as they relate to both commercial and government applications. He will stress the importance of the R&M disciplines in product and program development and operation, as we move into the 21st Century and continue to address the new challenges in the world around us.

MONDAY SCHEDULE CONT'D

2:30 PM — 5:00 PM

Tutorial 3A (Linked to Paper Sessions 7B, 10D, 12B & 13C) PRACTICAL RELIABILITY ENGINEERING AND MANAGEMENT

Introductory

Grand I

Dr. Ralph A. Evans, Evans Associates

This practical tutorial explains what a reliability program is really all about and the kinds of things that reliability engineers and managers must do to institute a successful program. No mathematics. No statistics. ... Plenty of insight and things to think about.

Tutorial 3C (Linked to Paper Sessions 10D & 12D) DYNAMIC ROBUST DESIGN Special Topic

Cascade II

Madhav S. Phadke, Phadke Associates Inc

Robust Design is a method for making the function of a product or process least sensitive to all sources of variation. This introductory tutorial discusses how to improve reliability and reduce cost using Robust Design.

Workshop 3D (Linked to Workshop 5D & Paper Session 9D)

Cascade I

R&M CAE CAPABILITIES: EXHIBITORS' PRESENTATIONS AND DEMONSTRATIONS

Thomas Brogan, Raytheon

R&M CAE tools continue to evolve in support of industry's business processes. Our RAMS Exhibitors will highlight their latest functionality through brief presentations and application demonstrations in a neutral setting. Please check outside the room for the vendor presentation schedule.

TUESDAY SCHEDULE

8:00 AM — 10:00 AM

Tutorial 4A (Linked to Paper Sessions 5A & 8C)

Intermediate

Grand I

INTRODUCTION TO REPAIRABLE-SYSTEMS MODELING

C. Richard Cassady, University of Arkansas and Edward A. Pohl, US Military Academy

The problem of optimal maintenance planning is relevant to all industries. The fundamental concepts and approaches related to modeling repairable systems and optimizing maintenance schedules are presented.

Tutorial 4B (Linked to Paper Sessions 6B & Tutorial 10B)

Introductory

Grand II

FAULT TREE ANALYSIS IN PRODUCT RELIABILITY IMPROVEMENT Milena Krasich, Bose Corporation and Julio C Gallardo, University of Bristol

The tutorial describes how Fault Tree Analysis (FTA) is applied to products as a top down method for identification and mitigation of potential field failures during the design phase. By modeling the system functionality and architecture the analysis allows estimation of system reliability, tradeoff, and evaluation of reliability improvement resultant from failure mode mitigation before the design is complete.

Session 4C (Linked to Tutorial 1B)

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LIFE CYCLE COST AND COST BENEFIT ANALYSIS

Moderator: Sandra Leiker, U.S. Air Force

The diverse application of Life Cycle Cost (LCC) tenants and analyses are instrumental to accomplish cost versus benefit tradeoffs.

4C1 A STUDY OF ON-LINE MAINTENANCE PRACTICES AT US NUCLEAR PLANTS

James Chow Lin, EQE International

A refreshing look at maintenance activities versus power generation operations.

4C2 RISK-INFORMED RELIABILITY-FOCUSED DECISION ANALYSIS SUPPORT FOR EFFECTIVE FACILITY-CHANGE MANAGEMENT

James Keith Liming and Brian Keith Olson, EQE Internatinal Inc

Optimizing resources to maximize return on electric generating systems.

4C3 OPTIMIZING INTERVALS FOR INSPECTION & FAILURE-FINDING TASKS

Bonnie S. Hauge, United Space Alliance

Presents robust toolbox for determining the best maintenance.

4C4 PRIORITIZING THE PURCHASE OF SPARE PARTS USING AN APPROXIMATE REASONING MODEL

Stephen W. Eisenhawer, Terry F. Bott, and Joseph W. Jackson, Los Almos National Laboratory

A decision theoretic methodology for providing a more robust sparing model.

4C5 AVAILABILITY CENTERED MAINTENANCE (ACM), AN INTEGRATED APPROACH

Daniele Saccardi, Consultant, and Giuseppe Fabio Ceschini, GE Power Systems

A practical look at availability through management and optimization.

Plan now to present a paper, tutorial or to attend the Year 2003 RAMS at the Tampa Waterside Marriott, Tampa, FL USA, January 27 - 30, 2003. For more information, visit our Web site at: http://www.rams.org.

TUESDAY SCHEDULE CONT'D

Session 4D (Linked to Tutorials 1A, 1D, 9C & 12A) STATISTICAL METHODS FOR R&M ANALYSIS

Cascade I

Moderator: C. Richard Cassady, University of Arkansas

Effective R&M Analysis may depend upon the proper application of statistical tools. This session provides some new methods and tools that can help improve the ability to draw conclusions from your data.

4D1 A PATH-BASED ALGORITHM TO EVALUATE ASYMPOTIC UNAVAILABILITY FOR LARGE MARKOV MODELS

Yannick Lefebvre and Marc Bouissou, Electricite de France

An algorithm is developed which exploits a path-based approach to evaluate the asymptotic unavailability of a system which is completely and quickly repairable. The algorithm is used to analyze an electrical power system.

4D2 A SIMPLE GRAPHICAL APPROACH FOR COMPARING RELIABILITY TRENDS OF DIFFERENT UNITS IN A FLEET.

Loon Ching Tang and Min Xie, National University of Singapore

Uses a piecewise Homogeneous Poisson Process to model a fleet of repairable systems made up of different LRUs. Develops a graphical approach for comparing reliability trends of units in a fleet and between different fleets with identical sets of units.

4D3 FAILURE-DATA ANALYSIS BY MIXTURE OF 3 WEIBULL DISTRIBUTIONS

Tieling Zhang, Tokyo University of Mercantile Marine, and Yukun Ren, Louisiana State University

This paper investigates approaches to analyzing and fitting data to models involving three Weibull distributions. This paper shows that these models provide flexibility in fitting and explaining failure data.

4D4 SAMPLE SIZES FOR SYSTEM RELIABILITY

Vijendra P. Singh and Swami Sankaran, Sun Microsystems

This paper presents a methodology for determining sample sizes for system availability under the assumption that the time between failures and the time to repair are independently and exponentially distributed.

4D5 COMPREHENSIVE REVIEW OF ESTIMATING SYSTEM-RELIABILITY CONFIDENCE-LIMITS FROM COMPONENT-TEST DATA

Xijin Tian, The University of Arizona

This is a survey paper that summarizes the literature and compares methods and models for establishing confidence limits on a system.

Workshop 4E ASO CERTIFIED RELIABILITY ENGINEER (CRE) REVIEW

St. Helens

This session is for the benefit of those attendees who are registered to take the ASQ CRE Examination, are considering taking the examination this week or some time in the future, or are simply curious. Experts in the reliability field will review typical examination material.

10:15 AM — 12:00 PM

Session 5A (Linked to Tutorial 4A)

Grand I

MAINTENANCE AND AVAILABILITY MODELING SPONSORED BY HE

Moderator: John R. English, University of Arkansas

This session presents an interesting collection of papers that examine the relationship of maintenance modeling, analysis and logistic support on system performance. New techniques, models and applications provide insight and value for today's engineers.

5A1 A METHOD FOR MEASURING SUPPLY-CHAIN RELIABILITY FOR CONTINGENCY OPERATIONS

Marlin U. Thomas, Purdue University

A method for quantifying the reliability of supply chains for contingency logistics systems is developed based on reliability interference theory. Provides results for series/parallel configurations and several risk conditions for the supply chain links.

5A2 MAINTENANCE-COST MODELING FOR A REFRIGERATED-TRAILER FLEET

C. Richard Cassady, Darin W. Nutter, G. Don Taylor, and Chet Tuck Wong, University of Arkansas

Operational failure and repair costs for the refrigeration systems used in a fleet of refrigerated trailers are modeled and analyzed using FMEA, FTA, and simulation. A designed experiment is used to estimate refrigeration maintenance costs.

5A3 RELIABILITY IMPROVEMENT OF AIRPORT GROUND-TRANSPORTATION VEHICLES USING CONDITION-BASED MAINTENANCE

Alice E. Smith, David W. Coit, Rutgers University and Curtis W. McCullers, Adtranz

Describes a joint industry/university collaboration to develop a prototype system to provide real time monitoring of an airport ground transportation system vehicle with the objectives of improving availability and minimizing field failures.

5A4 INPUT DATA CHARACTERIZATION FACTORS AFFECTING AVAILABILITY ESTIMATION ACCURACY

Darren P. Durkee, *United States Air Force*, **Edward A. Pohl**, *US Military Academy* and **Edward F. Mykytka**, *University of Dayton* A design of experiments approach is utilized to investigate the factors that impact the probabilistic characterization of component failure and repair behavior with respect to the effect on system availability estimates.

5A5 OPTIMIZING CONDITION-BASED MAINTENANCE DECISIONS

Andrew K.S. Jardine, University of Toronto

Reviews common strategies for implementing smart condition monitoring decisions and employs proportional hazards modeling to identify the key risk factors that should be used to identify the health of equipment during condition monitoring.

TUESDAY SCHEDULE CONT'D

Session 5B (Linked to Panel 10A)

SAFETY & RISK MANAGEMENT ASSESSMENT

Moderator: Robert J. Loomis Jr., NASA

A discussion of Safety and Risk Management for highly complex systems, along with the balancing of safety and business performance.

NORMAL ACCIDENT-THEORY VALIDATED: INTERACTIVE COMPLEXITY AND RESOURCE AVAILABILITY AS 5B1 PREDICTORS OF RELIABILITY

Frederick G. Wolf, Pacific Lutheran University

Through the investigation of petroleum refineries this paper links the role of coupling as determined by financial resource availability to the environmental risk of this class of highly technical systems.

RELIABILITY & AVAILABILITY EVALUATION FOR HIGHLY-MESHED NETWORK-SYSTEMS 5B2

Andrea Carpignano, Michelle Piccini, and Maurizio Gargiulo, Politecnico di Torino

Addresses the problem of the reliability and availability assessment of meshed network systems using as an example the district heating network of Torino, Italy.

5B3 GENERALIZED IMPERFECT COVERAGE PHASED-MISSION RELIABILITY, PERFORMANCE, AND SENSITIVITY **EVALUATION**

Joanne Bechta Dugan and Liudong Xing, University of Virginia

Considers the problem of assessing the reliability, performance, and sensitivity of phased mission systems with combinatorial phase requirements and generalized imperfect coverage.

5B4 HOW SAFETY-INVESTMENTS INCREASE PERFORMANCE: A PRACTICAL CASE

Patrick M. W. Korvers, Peter J.M. Sonnemans, and Aarnout C. Brombacher, Eindhoven University of Technology

A method is presented to model, analyze, and qualify the control of an operational process to improve both the safety performance and business performance.

Special Topic

RISK ANALYSIS USING A HYBRID BAYES-APPROXIMATE REASONING METHOD 5B5

Terry F. Bott and Stephen W. Eisenhawer, Los Alamos National Laboratory

Presents a method for generating Bayesian prior distributions of a Poisson parameter using approximate reasoning.

Tutorial 5C (Linked to Paper Session 13D) THERMODYNAMIC RELIABILITY ENGINEERING

Dr. Alec A. Feinberg, M/A-COM Incorporated

This tutorial illustrates key aspects linking the laws of thermodynamics and reliability physics into a true science of thermodynamic reliability engineering. Numerous common physics-of-failure mechanisms caused by diffusion, activation, and/or forced aginig are illustrated (with FA photos - SEMs, Micrographs, etc.) and explained.

Workshop 5D (Linked to Workshop 3D & Paper Session 9D)

Cascade I

Cascade II

Grand II

R&M CAE CAPABILITIES: EXHIBITORS' PRESENTATIONS AND DEMONSTRATIONS

Moderator: Thomas Brogan, Raytheon

A continuation of Session 03D, our RAMS Exhibitors will highlight their latest functionality through brief presentations and application demonstrations in a neutral setting. Please check outside the room for the vendor presentation schedule.

1:30 AM - 3:30 PM

Session 6A

Grand I

LESSONS LEARNED

Moderator: Henry N. Hartt, BAE SYSTEMS

Engineering success factors are often learned at high cost to the enterprise. Learning from the experience of others helps to assure that mistakes are not repeated and that critical success factors are communicated.

ULYSSES, SCYLLA, AND CHARYBDIS - AND THE STORY OF RELIABILITY 6A1

Giorgio Turconi, Italtel spa

An entertaining, insightful, and original interpretation of the Odyssey as an analogy for our need to adapt our methods to accommodate change and the unexpected.

6A2 BEYOND ROOT-CAUSE ANALYSIS

Per M. Johansson, Ida C. Gremyr, Anders P. Fundin, and Bo L.S. Bergman, Chalmers University of Technology

Root-cause analysis, to include both technical failure modes and non-technical causes such as organizational faults, can be applied to identifying improvement opportunities in the product development process.

RISK ASSESSMENT IN RAILWAY SIGNALLING: EXPERIENCE AND LESSONS-LEARNED 6A3

Jens Braband, Siemens AG

Three case studies demonstrate a risk analysis approach that covers human and operational factors, as well as design issues.

6A4 A METHOD FOR ACHIEVING AN ENHANCED MISSION CAPACITY

Larry H. Crow, IITRI

This paper proposes a methodology for using "selected repair" to increase the probability of attaining an enhanced mission time, now required for many complex, maintained systems.

INTEGRATING RELIABILITY-ENHANCEMENT MODELLING INTO PRACTICE: CHALLENGES AND PITFALLS 6A5

Russell Hodge and John Quigley, University of Strathclyde, Ian James and Jane Marshall, TRW Aeronautical Systems A modeling framework supports reliability enhancement decision-making by estimating the reliability of a design throughout the product lifecycle.

Session 6B (Linked to Tutorials 4B & 10B) FAULT TREES AND FMECA

Grand II

Moderator: Donald C. Johnston, United Space Alliance

This session will review the latest developments in FMEA and Fault Trees as well as examine new areas of application for these time proven

6B1 FMEA OF MARINE SYSTEMS: THE LINK FROM PRESCRIPTIVE TO RISK-BASED DESIGN & CLASSIFICATION

John A. Farquharson, Joel L. McDuffee, EQE International Inc., and A. K. Seah, Takeshi Matsumoto, American Bureau of Shipping

Describes the results of recent studies by the American Bureau of Shipping to provide risk based guidelines for performing a failure mode and effects analysis on high-speed crafts and propulsion remote control systems.

6B2 THE FAILURE-ANALYSIS MATRIX: A KINDER, GENTLER ALTERNATIVE FOR FMEA FOR INFORMATION

Michael C. Signor, GE Industrial Systems

Presents a Failure Analysis Matrix as an alternative to Failure Modes and Effects Analysis for prioritizing solutions to failures in information systems.

6B3 HOW TO AVOID THE GENERATION OF LOOPS IN THE CONSTRUCTION OF FAULT TREES

Italo Ciarambino, Micaela Demichela, Norberto Piccinini, Politecnico di Torino, and Sergio Contini, Commissione Europea A method for eliminating loops in manually generated fault trees by generating the fault tree straight from the modules of a well-structured HazOp procedure.

SERVICE FAULT-TREE-ANALYSIS: ITS USE FOR IMPROVING THE EFFICIENCY OF SERVICE PROCESSES 6B4

Aloysio Antonio Peixoto de Carvalho, Andre Macedo, and Carlos Alberto Scapin, Fundação de Desenvolvimento Gerencial -FDG

A case study in which the technique of Fault Tree Analysis was applied in solving a complex systemic failure in a service process carried on by a major aviation company in Southeastern Brazil.

PROBABILITY EVALUATION OF SYSTEM-FAILURE OCCURENCE BASED ON MINIMAL CUT-SETS 6B5

Takehisa Kohda and Koichi Inoue, Kyoto University

Proposes an analytical probability evaluation method of system failure occurrence based on critical states for each basic event.

LOGISTICS AND SUPPORTABILITY PANEL

Moderator: Dr. Ralph L. Harper Jr., Raytheon Technical Service Company

Panelists will address logistics and supportability issues as well as the relevance and effects of R&M considerations on logistics and support of products.

Panelists:

C. M. (Chuck) Huber, Co-Chair, NDIA's Reliability, Maintainability, and Quality Subcommittee, Huber Consultants International

Tom Edmonds, SES, Deputy to the Commander, U.S. Army Combined Arms Support Command

John F. Phillips, Vice President, Aftermarket Growth Defense & Space, Honeywell

Major General Hawthorne Proctor, Director, Logistic Operations, Defense Logistics Agency

Brigadier General John M. Urias, Deputy CG for Acquisition, US Army Space and Missile Defense Command

Jerry Hudson, General Manager, CTC and Chairman NDIA's Quality Subcommittee

Tutorial 6D (Linked to Paper Session 8C)

Special Topic

Cascade I

IMPLEMENTING RELIABILITY CENTERED MAINTENANCE (RCM)

William A. Mercier, American Management Systems, Inc.

Classic RCM methodologies are extended using a Backfit process that yields the required system and equipment reliability at the lowest maintenance cost.

3:45 AM — 5:45 PM

Tutorial 7A INTRODUCTION TO PROBABILISTIC RISK ASSESSMENT Introductory Grand I

Dr. Michael V. Franks, Safety Factor Associates, Inc.

This tutorial is an introductory overview of the value therein and methods of performing a probabilistic risk assessment (PRA) and the additional value it adds to a product or system development project. Within the context of a step-by-step example, topicis include: concepts, principles, methods, propagation of uncertainties, and decision-making.

TUESDAY SCHEDULE CONT'D

Session 7B (Linked to Tutorial 1C)

Grand II

R&M PROGRAMS IN A COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL ENVIRONMENT

Moderator: Dr. Ralph L. Harper Jr., Raytheon Technical Service Company

Addresses the development and implementation of reliability and maintainability processes and program elements for commercial and industrial products to achieve specific requirements.

7B1 REFRIGERATOR FAILURE EARLY PREDICTION BASED ON WARRANTY DATA

Ke Liu, Honeywell Aerospace Electronic Systems

Methods to predict the failure characteristics of refrigeration components based on warranty returns data.

7B2 AUTOMATED REAL-TIME TESTING (ARTT) FOR EMBEDDED CONTROL SYSTEMS (ECS)

Jon Hawkins, Reginald B. Howard, and Haung V. Nguyen, Argonne National Laboratory

Testing methodology used to test structure for personnel safety system using software-testing tools.

7B3 CAN CABLE-TELEVISION AVAILABILITY REACH THAT OF THE TELCOS? THE ROAD TO 5NINES

Michael G. Gonzales, Motorola Inc.

The effects of hardware, software, and human factors on cable television availability.

7B4 RELIABILITY-ANALYSIS SYSTEM FOR RISK MANAGEMENT OF LNG RECEIVING TERMINALS AND PIPING NETWORKS

Daisuke Takagi, Kazuo Koyama and Kazutaka Miura, Tokyo Gas Co., Ltd, and Katsunori Kawai, Mitsubishi Heavy Industries, Ltd.

Reliability analysis and its application to Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG).

7B5 INTEGRATED SYSTEM FOR RELIABILITY-MODELING OF COLD PLASTIC DEFORMATION TOOLS USED IN THE CAR INDUSTRY

Calin Florin Baban, Alexandru Viorel Pele, and Marius Baban, University of Oradea

Reliability modeling used in assurance of cold plastic deformation.

7B6 RELIABILITY ANALYSIS AND PARAMETER OPTIMIZATION OF RANDOM-VIBRATION SYSTEMS

Ming-Xiao Jiang, General Electric

The Single-Degree-Of-Freedom (SDOF) and Two-Degree-Of-Freedom (TDOF) models are investigated for reliability against the acceleration failure.

Session 7C (Linked to Tutorial 13A)

SOFTWARE RELIABILITY & MAINTAINABILITY ANALYSIS

Cascade II

Moderator: Samuel J. Keene Jr., Seagate Technology

With the increase of software content in today's products, our ability to estimate, measure, and improve Software Reliability and Maintainability (R&M) becomes more important. This session addresses advances in techniques to model and estimate Software R&TM.

7C1 SCENARIO-BASED UNIT TESTING FOR RELIABILITY

Silke Kuball, Gordon Hughes, and Julio C Gallardo, University of Bristol, and Ian Gilchrist, IPL Information Procession Limited Addresses assessment of software reliability and availability for safety critical systems using operational profile software testing.

7C2 THREE MODIFIED DEPENDENCY-TESTS FOR SOFTWARE FAILURES

Ching-Cheng Wang and Ronald Jung-Wen Chen, National Cheng Kung University

Explores dependency tests of software failures while implementing N-Version programming for fault tolerant systems.

7C3 AN INTEGRATED MEASURE OF SOFTWARE MAINTAINABILITY

Krishan K. Aggarwal, Yogesh Singh, Indraprastha University, and Jitender Kumar Chhabra, Regional Engineering College Discusses an integrated approach for estimating software maintainability based on Readability of Source Code, Documentation Quality, and Understandability Of Software methods.

7C4 INVESTIGATING A SPECIFIC CLASS OF SOFTWARE RELIABILITY-GROWTH MODELS

Peter A. Keiller, Howard University, and Thomas A. Mazzuchi, The George Washington University

Addresses research into how the performance of various inter-failure and failure count Software Reliability Models can be improved using smoothing techniques.

7C5 USING STRUCTURE TO GAIN INSIGHT INTO THE RELIABILITY OF HIERARCHICAL SOFTWARE SYSTEMS

Sylvain P. Leblanc, Royal Military College of Canada and Paul A. Roman, Canadian Army Experimentation Centre Explores how a graph of control flow between software modules can be transformed into a RBD to gain a Software Reliability Estimate figure relevant to Object Oriented programs.

Tutorial 7D HOW TO JUSTIFY YOUR MODELING RESULTS

Special Topic Cascade I

Meng-Lai Yin, Raytheon Company

Justifying your modeling results is as important as constructing and solving the model. This tutorial organizes and summarizes the methodologies that have been successfully applied in various projects, such as software reliability estimations, availability and safety analyses for satellite navigation systems.

WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE

8:00 AM — 10:00 AM

Tutorial 8A (Linked to Paper Sessions 9B & 13D)

Special Topic

Grand I

UNDERSTANDING ACCELERATED LIFE-TESTING ANALYSIS

Pantelis Vassiliou and Adamantios Mettas, ReliaSoft Corporation

Correct analysis of data gathered from testing products under high-stress conditions provides important information for predicting and improving their life under use-stress conditions.

Tutorial 8B (Linked to Paper Session 9D)

Intermediate

Grand II

RELIABILITY & AVAILABILITY MODELING USING THE SHARPE SOFTWARE PACKAGE

Kishor S. Trivedi and Christophe Hirel, Duke University

A wide range of reliability and availability models are described. The SHARPE software package is a toolchest that can be used to estimate reliability and availability parameters for these models.

Session 8C (Linked to Tutorial 6D) **R&M OPTIMIZATION**

Cascade II

Moderator: C. Richard Cassady, University of Arkansas

Optimization methods are applied to a variety of R&M problems including equipment replacement, diagnostics, and maintenance planning.

8C1 MAINTANANCE OPTIMIZATION UNDER UNCERTAINITIES, USING INTERVAL-METHODS & UNCERTAINTY-APPROACH

Claudio M. Rocco S., Universidad Central de Venezuela

Presents two examples of maintenance optimization under certainties: use of Interval Arithmetic to solve a single variable global optimization problem and an investigation of the range of coordinated maintenance frequencies for multi-component systems.

MODELLING OF MAINTENANCE, WITHIN DISCRETE-EVENT SIMULATION 8C2

Les Warrington, Jeffery A. Jones, and Neil Davis, University of Warwick

This paper investigates the concept of Maintenance Free Operating Periods (MFOP) using a discrete event simulation model.

USE OF FUNCTIONAL REPRESENTATION DIAGRAM FOR RELIABILITY IMPROVEMENT 8C3

James Chow Lin, EQE International

This paper presents a functional hierarchy approach that can be used to develop a functional representation diagram for a complicated

TWO-DIMENSIONAL RELIABILITY-MODELING FROM WARRANTY DATA 8C4

Guangbin Yang and Ziad Zaghati, Ford Motor Company

Describes warranty data structure and censoring mechanisms. A sequential regression model is proposed to model mileage accumulation from warranty claim data. A reliability model is developed and used to predict the number of warranty claims. Example.

8C5 THE FAILURE OF MTTF IN AVAILABILITY EVALUATION

Hairong Sun and James J. Han, Motorola

A truncated bathtub curve is proposed to model the failure rate of a product with perfect burn-in. Several counter intuitive observations are analyzed and discussed.

Panel 8D

Cascade I

INNOVATIVE R&M TECHNOLOGY APPLICATIONS PANEL

Moderator: Dennis R. Hoffman, Lockheed Martin Aeronautics

Prognostics & Health Management (PHM) technology can be a critical part of an integrated methodology for system maintenance and health management. PHM provides a comprehensive approach for detecting and isolating failures as well as predicting remaining useful life for critical components. Panelists will address application of PHM technology as a key enabler for improved R&M, Testability, and Logistics.

Panelists:

Dean Hooks, Boeing Bill Nickerson, RLW, Inc. Andy Hess, NAVAIR JSF Office Ken Finklea, PEI Electronics

10:15 AM — 12:15 PM

Session 9A (Linked to Tutorial 13A)

Grand I

DEFECT DETECTION IN SOFTWARE ENGINEERING

Moderator: Harold E. Ascher, Harold E. Ascher & Associates

Software reliability has become a critical driver in attaining system reliability. Certain software defect detection methodologies have proven effective in real world applications.

9A1 MAKING THE (BUSINESS) CASE FOR SOFTWARE RELIABILITY

David B. Nicholls and Tom McGibbon, Data and Analysis Center for Software

Cost savings from the use of Software Process Improvement (SPI) techniques may provide a justification for developing higher reliability software.

9A2 AN APPROACH FOR UNDERSTANDING AND TESTING THIRD PARTY SOFTWARE COMPONENTS

Jennifer M. Haddox, C C Michael, Cigital and Gregory M. Kapfhammer, Allegheny College

Using "software wrapping", developers can apply testing techniques such as fault injection, data collection, and assertion checking to third party software components whose source code is unavailable.

9A2 RELIABILITY-CENTERED SOFTWARE TESTING

Zigmund M. Bluvband, Advanced Logistics Development Ltd.

Provides guidelines for the use of Reliability Centered Software Testing for analysis, planning, and control of the test factors affecting software reliability.

9A3 UTILITY OF POPULAR SOFTWARE DEFECT MODELS

Patrick J. Hartman, Naval Sea Systems Command

This paper introduces techniques and rules-of-thumb for critically assessing the effectiveness of software defect reduction efforts as the data are being gathered.

9A4 VALIDATION OF GUIDANCE CONTROL SOFTWARE REQUIREMENTS SPECIFICATION FOR RELIABILITY AND FAULT-TOLERANCE

Frederick T. Sheldon and Hye Yeon Kim, Washington State University

In this case study, the integrity of a software requirements specification for guidance control software is validated in terms of reliability and fault-tolerance.

Session 9B (Linked to Tutorial 8A) ACCELERATED LIFE TESTING

Grand II

Moderator: Pantelis Vassiliou, ReliaSoft Corp.

Today's consumer driven market demands high reliability in order to stay competitive. ALT is a necessary tool for estimating the reliability of products that demand high reliability. This session presents techniques and applications in this vital area of reliability.

9B1 ACCELERATED TESTS TO SIMULATE METAL-MIGRATION IN HYBRID CIRCUITS

Satish Bhakta, Gary Mortensen, Tim Muotka, and Scott Lundberg, Itron, Inc.

Using the dominant root cause for Ag migration, the authors simulate the effects of contaminants on circuit boards using coupon testing; substantiate the results using Temperature, Humidity, Bias tests; and use the data to increase product reliability.

9B2 RELIABILITY QUANTIFICATION OF INDUCTION MOTORS — ACCELERATED DEGRADATION TESTING APPROACH

Wendai Wang and Dan Dragomir-Daescu, General Electric Corporate R&D Center

The authors propose a new method for planning constant stress accelerated life test. A numerical example is used to demonstarte the approach.

9B3 RELIABILITY STRESS-TEST METHOD: IMPACT ON THE NEW-PRODUCT INTRODUCTION PROCESS, TIME TO MARKET

Shams Jawaid, Big Bear Networks, Seifi Zaki and Jon Ferguson, Harmonic Inc.

This paper investigates how to incorporate a comprehensive stress test program for new product introductions.

9B4 PLANNING MULTIPLE-LEVELS CONSTANT-STRESS ACCELERATED LIFE TESTS

Loon Ching Tang and Min Xie, National University of Singapore

A time to degredation model is constructed using the physics of failure and test observations for induction motors. This model is then used to predict the reliability of induction motors.

9B5 MODELING AND ANALYSIS OF TIME-DEPENDENT STRESS ACCELERATED LIFE DATA

Adamantios Mettas and Pantelis Vassiliou, ReliaSoft Corp.

This paper investigates the use of the Cumulative Damage model for analyzing data where the applied stress is time-dependent and its use for making reliability predictions in cases where the service stress is time-dependent even if the test stress is not.

Tutorial 9C (Linked to Paper Sessions 4D & 11C)

Special Topic

Cascade II

MODELING OF REALISTIC SYSTEMS USING THE MONTE CARLO METHOD

Dr. Arie Dubi, Ben Gurion University of the Negev

The problem of predicting future behavior of a system is approached rigorously through the use of a single equation. It is then shown that this equation, although extremely complex, is easily approached by the Monte-Carlo method. Some basic concepts of thei MC method will be presented and demonstrated.

Session 9D (Linked to Workshops 3D & 4D, & Tutorial 8B) APPLICATION OF SOFTWARE TOOLS TO R&M ANALYSIS

Cascade I

Moderator: Keith M. Janasak, Raytheon

Emerging R&M software tools offer opportunities for more effective management and utilization of R&M information. This session addresses how R&M data can be more effectively utilized to perform R&M analyses such as Knowledge Management, Design for Reliability, Probabilistic Risk Assessment, Failure Modes & Effects Analysis, Reliability Centered Maintenance and Sneak Circuit Analysis.

9D1 QRAS - THE QUANTITATIVE RISK ASSESSMENT SYSTEM

Frank J. Groen, Carol Sophie Smidts, and Ali Mosleh, *University of Maryland*, and S. Swaminathan, *Sun Microsystems Inc.* Describes how NASA used the QRAS tool to implement a hierarchical approach for the construction and analysis of risk models

9D2 EFFECTIVE AUTOMATED SNEAK CIRCUIT ANALYSIS

Christopher John Price, University of Wales, and Nigel Hughes, FirstEarth Limited

Addresses how a tool called SneakExplorer can be used to overcome difficulty of component modeling and generation of false sneaks while performing SCA.

9D3 THE APPLICATION OF RODON TO THE FMEA OF A MICROGRAVITY FACILITY SUBSYSTEM

Edward J. Zampino, NASA Glenn Research Center, and Dirk Burow, R.O.S.E. Informatik

A NASA application is used to show how a model based reasoning tool can be applied to perform FMEA by implementing a constraint propagation approach.

9D4 PLAUSIBLE REASONING THEORY IN RCM ANALYSIS

Donald C. Johnston, United Space Alliance

Describes how Plausible Reasoning can extend traditional Reliability Centered Maintenance approaches to determine the best mix of maintenance tactics by using inductive and analogous reasoning.

9D5 ENHANCING PRODUCT RELIABILITY USING REMM

Jane Marshall, TRW Aeronautical Systems, Lesley Walls, The University of Strathclyde, and Jeffery A. Jones, University of Warwick

Reliability Enhancement Methodology & Modeling is a structured approach for Design For Reliability that leverages reliability information reuse. An expert system recommends a Reliability Task List based on incremental design differences.

9D6 INTELLECTUAL CAPITAL: USING THE WEB FOR KNOWLEDGE MANAGEMENT AND DATA UTILIZATION IN RELIABILITY ENGINEERING

Adamantios Mettas and David Rock, ReliaSoft Corporation

Explores how the web can be used for Knowledge Management, combining customer support data, R&D databases, FRACAS data, and a metrics dashboard.

1:30 PM — 3:30 PM

Panel 10A (Linked to Paper Session 5B)

Grand I

INTERNATIONAL SPACE STATION SAFETY AND MISSION ASSURANCE PERFORMANCE METRICS PANEL

Jerry B. Holsomback, NASA Johnson Space Center

Panelists will present and discuss Safety and Mission Assurance (SMA) performance metrics used for efficient program management. These metrics combine Safety Hazard Analysis, Reliability Assessments, and Quality Escapes to provide a total health picture onf the Space Station at each stage of assembly.

Panelists:

Stanford LeBlanc, Reliability and Maintainability Manager, International Space Station Program Office, NASA-Johnson Space Center Jeevan S. Perera, PhD, JD, Risk Manager, Institution: Johnson Space Center

Tutorial 10B (Linked to Tutorial 4B & Paper Session 6B

Grand II

FAULT TREE ANALYSIS OF COMPUTER BASED SYSTEMS

Dr. Joanne Bechta Dugan, University of Virginia

Fault tree analysis has long been a staple of the reliability and safety assessment processes. This tutorial reviews recent advances in fault tree analysis, including coverage models and sequence dependencies that extend its applicability to computer-based systems.

Intermediate

Session 10C (Linked to Tutorials 1D & 9C) MODELING & SIMULATION

Cascade II

Moderator: Kenneth E. Murphy, ARINC

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Modeling and simulation tools provide capabilities that should be in every engineer's toolkit. Modeling and simulation allow quantification of impacts, and assessment of system reliability, availability and maintainability characteristics before physical .prototypes are built.

10C1 RESEARCH ON THE MODEL AND SOFTWARE-PACKAGE FOR SHIP RELIABILITY ANALYSIS

Hong Yi, Yufang Zhang, and Changchun Li, Shanghai Jiao Tong University, and Mingjun Chen, Wai Gaiqiao Ship Building Company

Using multistage numerical calculations to describe mission reliability and operational readiness.

10C2 RELIABILITY THERMAL ANALYSIS AND OPTIMIZATION WIRABILITY DESIGN OF MULTI-LAYER PRINTED WIRE BOARDS

Xijin Tian and Olgierd A. Palusinski, The University of Arizona

Improving electronic component design through a better understanding of thermal impacts.

10C3 INTEGRATED MODELING OF SYSTEM FUNCTIONAL, MAINTENANCE & ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS

 $\textbf{Jeffery A. Jones, Les Warrington,} \ \text{and Neil Davis,} \ \textit{University of Warwick}$

Exploring systems functions through a total scenario simulation.

10C4 MULTI-PHASE RELIABILITY ANALYSIS FOR DYNAMIC & STATIC PHASES

Leila Meshkat, University of Southern California, Yong Ou and Joanne Bechta Dugan, University of Virginia A methodology for combining analyses of phases and understanding their dependencies.

10C5 AVAILABILITY MODELING FOR THE APPLICATION OF MANUFACTURING EQUIPMENT

Aron Brall, Landis Gardner

Unique approach to modeling that can assure improvements in production and reliability.

WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE CONT'D

Session 10D (Linked to Tutorials 1D & 3C) PRODUCT DESIGN & ASSURANCE

Cascade I

Moderator: Jason W. Rupe, Qwest Communications Int'l

The application of models, tools, and reliability analyses to improve design and assurance.

10D1 IMPROVING DESIGN FOR RELIABILITY WITH IN-SERVICE DATA ANALYSIS

Ian James and Jane Marshall, TRW Aeronautical Systems, and Lesley Walls, The University of Strathclyde

REMM (Reliability Enhancement Methodology and Modeling), funded by the UK government and aerospace industry, provides some simple reliability analysis techniques that may be used by engineers during the early stages of their design.

10D2 RELIABILITY OF LEAD-FREE SOLDER INTERCONNECTS: A REVIEW

Sandeep Tonapi and K. Srihari, and Peter Borgesen, Universal Instruments Corporation

This paper discusses reliability issues associated with the use of lead-free solder interconnects, which is becoming more common for environmental and other reasons.

10D3 THE USE OF INDIRECT EVIDENCE FOR BAYESIAN RELIABILITY ANALYSIS

James Chow Lin, EQE International

Indirect evidence can be used in the Bayesian reliability analysis of automobile products during the design phase, when no field performance data are available.

10D4 PREDICT: A CASE STUDY, USING FUZZY LOGIC

William J. Kerscher III, Delphi Automotive Systems, and Jane M. Booker, Mary A. Meyer, and Ronald E. Smith, Los Alamos National Laboratory

A case study of the application of PREDICT, which uses Bayesian principles to characterize the reliability of a product under development, including the use of fuzzy logic.

3:45 PM — 5:45 PM

Panel 11A

Grand I

ADVISORY BOARD PANEL

THE FUTURE OF RELIABILITY ENGINEERING AS A PROFESSION

Moderator: John R. English, University of Arkansas

Industry leaders will discuss a topic of interest to members of the reliability and maintainability profession. Audience participation will be encouraged during the session and questions will be welcomed.

Panelists:

C.S. Carlson, Manager, Reliability Engineering, Mid-Size Car Division, General Motors Corporation

F.D. Gregory, Associate Administrator, Safety & Mission Assurance, National Aeronautics & Space Administration

Dr. Kailash C. Kapur, Professor, Department of Industrial Engineering, University of Washington, Seattle

T. Mitrou, Director, Product Reliability, Black and Decker, Inc.

G.A. Vassiliades, Vice-President, Business Reengineering, Division - Server Group, IBM Corp.

Session 11C (Linked to Tutorial 1A)

RELIABILITY MODELING OF SYSTEMS

Cascade II

Moderator: Randall L. Riddle, U.S. Air Force

Modeling techniques and application in forecasting and approximating reliability of systems.

11C1 DESIGN & EVALUATION OF AVTMR (ALL VOTING TRIPLE MODULAR REDUNDANCY) SYSTEM

Hyun-Ki Kim, Suk Kuin Shin, Yong Woon Chung, and Key Seo Lee, *University of Kwangwoon* Presents an active redundancy systems approach.

11C2 FAULT-INFORMATION MODEL AND MAINTENANCE CYCLE FORECASTING FOR SHIP'S POWER SYSTEM

Wei Gu and Jianxing Chu, Shanghai Maritime University

Practical method for estimating the reliability and calculates maintenance cycles.

11C3 RELIABILITY/AVAILABILITY OF K-OUT-OF-N:G SYSTEM WITH M COLD-STANDBY UNITS

Wendai Wang and James Loman, General Electric Corporate R&D

Describes a useful method of improving power generation capacity given high reliable systems.

11C4 RELIABILITY EVALUATION OF LARGE COMPLEX REPAIRABLE SYSTEMS: AVAILABILITY OF CRITICAL POWER

James Loman and Wendai Wang, General Electric Corporate R&D

Use of reliability block diagramming and simulation to enhance system availability.

11C5 APPROXIMATION METHOD AND FORMULAS FOR AVERAGE UNAVAILABILITY OF SYSTEMS WITH LATENT FAULTS

Anapathur V. Ramesh, David W. Twigg, and Tilak C. Sharma, The Boeing Company

An interesting perspective on highly reliable systems and components and predicting failures.

WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE CONT'D

Session 11D Cascade I

TL9000 SESSION SPONSORED BY ASQ

Moderator: David C. Davis, SAIC

The application of TLQ requirements and techniques may have far reaching impact in improving quality and reliability of telecommunication systems.

11D1 USING TL 9000 MEASUREMENT REQUIREMENTS, MEASUREMENTS, AND FIELD-EXPERIENCE TO IMPROVE QUALITY AND RELIABILITY

Sandford Liebesman, Consultant, and Thomas F. Yohe, Alcatel USA

Appling measures to drive continuous improvement.

11D2 TL 9000 MEASUREMENTS: COMPUTATION AND USE

Aridaman K. Jain, Lucent Technologies

Innovative approach to transforming measures and improving reliability.

11D3 USING TL 9000 MEASUREMENTS

Richard F. Morrow, University of Texas, and Ashok V. Dandekar, Fujitsu Network Communications, Inc. Simplifying standards for product improvement.

11D4 ISO 9000: 2000 - THE CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR INTERNAL AUDITORS

Sandford Liebesman, Consultant

Opportunities for improvement in quality management.

6:30 PM — 7:30 PM

GENERAL RECEPTION Grand Foyer

7:30 PM — 10:00 PM

BANQUET Grand I & II

THURSDAY SCHEDULE

8:00 AM — 10:00 AM

Tutorial 12A Special Topic Grand I

FUZZY LOGIC

Dr. John Bowles, University of South Carolina

Fuzzy logic provides a tool for characterizing and analyzing system reliability in spite of the uncertainties inherent in engineering design.

Session 12B Grand II

QUALITY & PRODUCT ASSURANCE

Moderator: Dr. Ralph L. Harper Jr., Raytheon Technical Service Company

Application of assurance techniques to product development and production can reduce time-to-market, control warranty related costs, and help to meet customer expectations.

12B1 QFD IMPLEMENTATION IN A DISCRETE-SEMICONDUCTOR INDUSTRY

Cher Ming Tan and Teck Khim Neo, Nanyang Technological University

Methods of integration of customer voices in the cost process for manufacturers and vendors.

12B2 WARRANTY, PRODUCT SPECTRUM, AND CUSTOMER ROLE

Melkote K. Ramaswamy, Hurco Companies Inc.

Scope, meaning, and implementation of warranty on product cost.

12B3 ANALYZING FUZZINESS IN PRODUCT QUALITY & RELIABILITY INFORMATION-FLOW DURING TIME-DRIVEN PRODUCT-DEVELOPMENT

Yuan Lu and Aarnout C. Brombacher, Eindhoven University of Technology, Elke Den Ouden, Philips CFT, and Nagappan Ganesh, Philips Optical Storage

Quality and reliability problem prediction in time-driven product development process.

12B4 RELIABILITY MODELS OF REPAIRABLE SYSTEMS, CONSIDERING THE EFFECT OF OPERATION CONDITIONS

P.V.N. Prasad and Kancharla R.M. Rao, Osmania University

Hazard modeling in investigation of the effects of variables on life periods.

12B5 MEASURING RELIABILITY-CENTERED-MAINTENANCE IMPLEMENTATION

Donald C. Johnston, United Space Alliance

Implementing a Reliability-Centered Maintenance (RCM) program in an organization.

THURSDAY SCHEDULE CONT'D

Session 12C (Linked to Tutorial 1A) RELIABILITY PREDICTION METHODS

Cascade II

Moderator: David W. Coit, Rutgers University

Authors describe a variety of novel approaches and models for predicting and assessing system reliability.

12C1 A FAILURE-FORECAST METHOD BASED ON WEIBULL AND STATISTICAL-PATTERN ANALYSIS

Kevin Fitzgibbon, Ron Barker, Tige Claton, and Nathan Wilson, Total Quality Systems Inc.

This paper presents a method that combines Weibull analysis and statistical algorithms to forecast failures, and the experimental results are applied to electronic systems.

12C2 FAULT-FREQUENCY PREDICTION OF CHASSIS COMPONENTS FOR HEAVY-DUTY TRUCKS

Gunnar L. J. Wickstrom, Volvo Truck Corporation

This paper describes a routine for prediction of fault frequency in the product development process of heavy duty trucks at the Volvo Truck Corporation.

12C3 RELIABILITY PREDICTION BASED ON SIMILARITY ANALYSIS

Tyrone Jackson, The Aerospace Corporation, and Aridaman K. Jain, Lucent Technologies

This paper introduces an 8 step approach for applying Criticality-Associated Similarity analysis in a systematic manner that yields a meaningful comparison of the differences in the design reliability of new product versus a similar in-service product.

12C4 RELIABILITY ASSESSMENT METHODOLOGY FOR 1-SHOT SYSTEMS

Rene L. Bierbaum and Donald L. Wright, Sandia National Laboratories

This paper outlines some of the challenges of 1-shot device analysis and describes an approach used for the analysis of nuclear weapons.

12C5 HOW DO I GET RAW FAILURE-DATA TO THE SYSTEM RELIABILITY?

Pozsgai Peter, Anna Krolo and **Bernd Bertsche**, *University of Stuttgart*, and **Andreas Fritz**, *DaimlerChrysler AG*Several methods for calculating system reliability are investigated when preventive maintenance actions are considered. A case study

of a single-step gearing is presented to illustrate the methodology.

R&M TECHNIQUES AND APPLICATIONS

Session 12D

Cascade I

Moderator: Gary S. Wasserman, Wayne State University

Cost consciousness and the quickened pace of the product development cycle rarely permit leisurely or overly elaborate analysis. Practical and convenient methods for providing R&M estimates are discussed.

12D1 THE EXPONENTIAL DISTRIBUTION: THE GOOD, THE BAD AND THE UGLY. A PRACTICAL GUIDE TO ITS IMPLEMENTATION

Kenneth E. Murphy, Charles M. Carter, and Steven O. Brown, ARINC

This paper provides insight into the good aspects of using the exponential distribution but more importantly, into the ubiquitous misuse of the most commonly implemented reliability distribution.

12D2 A SIMPLIFIED RELIABILITY-ANALYSIS TOOL FOR REDUNDANT HARDWARE & SOFTWARE SYSTEMS

Wei Hou, Sun Microsystems and O. Geoffrey Okogbaa, University of South Florida

This paper proposes a simplified computational tool that incorporates Markov analysis and reliability block diagrams to model and analyze the availability of a typical end-to-end communication solution with 1:1 system redundancy.

12D3 COMPARISON OF RELIABILITY & AVAILABILITY EVALUSTION TECHNIQUES FOR DISTRIBUTION NETWORK SYSTEMS

Emiliano Roggero, Alessandra Mosso and Andrea Ponta, A.E.M. Torino S.p.A., and Enrico Carpaneto, Politecnico di Torino Different methods of reliability evaluation for medium voltage distribution systems (MVDS) are compared.

12D4 PROBABILISTIC ASSESSMENT OF AVAILABILITY FROM SYSTEM PERFORMANCE DATA

Jan B. Smith and W. Bryan Smith, Applied Reliability, Inc.

This paper presents a new method for forecasting availability and reliability distributions from permutations of system data and conversion of the probability data to business and engineering decision information.

12D5 APPLICATION OF BAYES STATISTICS TO REDUCE SAMPLE-SIZE, CONSIDERING A LIFETIME-RATIO

Anna Krolo, Bettina Rzepka, and Bernd Bertsche, University of Stuttgart

Bayesian statistics can determine the optimal duration of planned reliability testing using a lifetime-ratio and previous knowledge obtained from prior tests.

12D6 APPLICATION OF SEMI-MARKOV PROCESS AND CTMC TO EVALUATION OF UPS SYSTEM AVAILABILITY

Ricado M. Fricks, Motorola, Inc., Liang Yin and Kishor S. Trivedi, Duke University

The authors use a semi-Markov model and a continuous-time Markov chain (CTMC) approach to assess the dependability characteristics of systems with uninterruptible power supplies.

Workshop 12E

Grand Crescent

ASQ CERTIFIED RELIABILITY ENGINEER (CRE) EXAM

The exam will last 4 hours and consists of 150 questions. Registration closes at 4:00 PM on Wednesday. The 8 areas of the Body of Knowledge are covered in detail, be sure to study all and attend the review sessions on Tuesday. Calculators are suggested; only non-programmable ones are permitted. Order a CRE Refresher Booklet from ASQ at 1-800-248-1946.

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10:15 AM — 12:15 PM

Tutorial 13A (Linked to Paper Sessions 7C & 9A)

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Intermediate

Grand I

INTRODUCTION TO SOFTWARE RELIABILITY RISK MANAGEMENT

Norman F. Schneidewind, Naval Postgraduate School

This tutorial is designed for practitioner software engineers and managers who want to learn how to apply software reliability risk management in their organizations. Attendees will learn how to apply a software reliability risk analysis to identify fault Sprone software.

Panel 13B

Grand II

WHY IS THERE STILL INFANT MORTALITY?

Moderator: James A. McLinn, Consultant

Invited panelists will discuss prevention and effects of infant mortality on product manufacturing, delivery and field performance. Despite 20 years of improvement efforts, SPC, DOE and other tools, infoant mortality beyong reasonable levels for many products still exists. Come hear what are causes and then what are effective and economical solutions.

Panelists:

Dr. James Loman, General Electric Corporate R&D

James A. McLinn, Rel-Tech

Dr. Feng-Bin Sun, Maxtor Corporation

Session 13C

Cascade II

R&M IN AEROSPACE

Moderator: Bonnie S. Hauge, United Space Alliance

A range of Reliability and Maintainability applications for aerospace, from satellite repair and spacecraft failure prediction to aircraft failure prediction effects of latent failures.

13C1 A RELIABILITY-DRIVEN MISSION FOR SPACE STATION

Martin L. Shooman, Hunter College, CUNY, and Pasquale M. Sforza, University of Florida

A proposal to use the International Space Station as a repair base for the many communications, scientific, and military satellites in Lower Earth Orbit, and that the Space Shuttle be used to retrieve such satellites.

13C2 THE KNOWLEDGE-PATH TO MISSION SUCCESS: OVERVIEW OF THE NASA PBMA-KMS

J. Steven Newman and Stephen M. Wander, NASA Headquarters

A description of a Process Based Mission Assurance Knowledge Management System developed by NASA to support life-cycle safety and mission success management in a performance based contracting environment.

13C3 PARAMETRIC PREDICTION TOOLS FOR SPACECRAFT CONCEPTS

Nkiru Udo Ogamba, The Aerospace Corp

This paper demonstrates several analytical techniques used to predict units from a group more likely to fail. It specifically examines the least reliable systems used by a number of US spacecraft programs.

13C4 DYNAMIC MODELING OF DEGRADATION DATA

Ming-Xiao Jiang, General Electric, and Yongcang Zhang, Eaton Corp.

For applications with few or no failures degradation data can be used to provide reliability information. In this paper a dynamic model using random fatigue crack growth as an example is presented.

13C5 A DISCRETE-EVENT SIMULATOR FOR PREDICTING OUTAGE TIME & COSTS AS A FUNCTION OF MAINTENANCE RESOURCES

Myron Hecht, SoHaR Inc., and Jady Handal, Federal Aviation Administration

Presentation of a simulation tool (SMART-3) for airport maintenance managers to minimize downtime and maximize resource utilization.

Session 13D (Linked to Tutorials 2D, 5C & 8A)

ENVIRONMENTAL TESTING AND STRESS SCREENING

Cascade I

Moderator: Dr. Ralph L. Harper Jr., Raytheon Technical Service Company

Evaluates methods used to test and screen various products for impacts caused by environmental conditions.

13D1 **RELIABILITY TESTS ON IGBT**

Santiago Fernandez-Gomez, ATI Research Silicon Valley, and Jorge Marcos Acevedo, University of Vigo

The design of dependable systems based on reliable power devices using reliability tests.

13D2 RELIABILITY PARTS IMPROVEMENT OF PLASTIC PARTS

A. J. Morrison, Alliant Tech Systems

Environmental Stress Screening (ESS) or testing cycles for qualification on first articles.

13D3 ELECTRONIC PACKAGING ADHESIVE FATIGUE-LIFE PREDICTION USING THERMAL-CYCLING STEP-STRESS TESTING

Xijin Tian and John L. Prince, University of Arizona

Epoxy adhesives failures in electronic packaging due to thermomechanical.

13D4 ESTABLISHMENT OF ACCELERATED CORROSION-TESTING CONDITIONS

Lev M. Klyatis, Eccol Inc.

Atmospheric Corrosion Testing (ACT) of metals.

13D5 IMPROVING THE RELIABILITY OF A NEWLY-DESIGNED MOBILE PHONE BY ENVIRONMENTAL & ACCELERATED LIFE TESTS

Sang Jun Park, Jong Shin Ha, Wan Soo Choi, and Sang Duck Park, Samsung Electronics Co., Ltd.

Reliability evaluation of components of a mobile phone.

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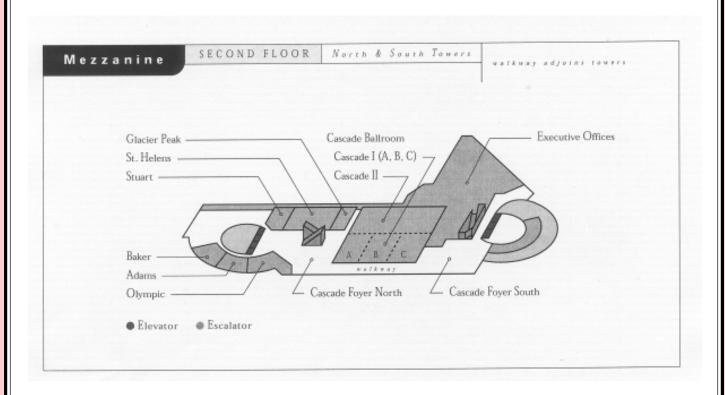
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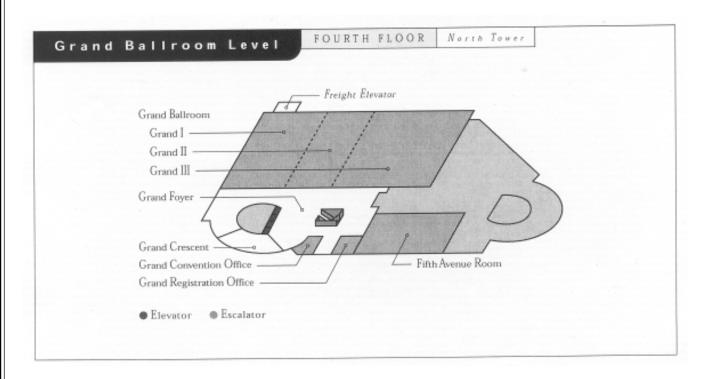
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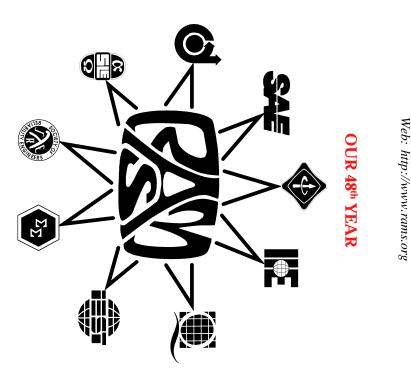
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